

REMARKS

This Preliminary Amendment is filed regarding US Patent Application Serial No. 10/001,516 filed on October 23, 2001.

Claims 1-27 are in the case.

Claims 9-27 were added to better claim the invention.

The specification has been amended to reflect changes in the status of the parent application. It is believed that no new matter has been entered.

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**MARK-UP PAGES FOR THE DECEMBER 5, 2002, AMENDMENT TO
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The replacement for the first full paragraph of page 1 resulted from the following changes:

The present application is a continuation of commonly assigned [copending] U.S. Patent [Application Serial] No. [08/997,343] 6,339,595, issued on January 15, 2002, which was filed on December 23, 1997, by Yakov Rekhter and Eric C. Rosen for Peer-Model Support for Virtual Private Networks Having Potentially Overlapping Addresses.